

IN THE DRAWINGS

A new Fig. 6 is submitted herewith, with a Letter to the
Official Draftsman.

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of this application are respectfully requested in light of the above amendments and the following remarks.

The Applicants acknowledge with appreciation the indication in the Final Rejection that claims 26, 27, 30-33, and 36 are directed to allowable subject matter and would be allowed if placed in independent form. Allowable claims 26, 27, 30, 32, and 36 have been rewritten in independent form to recite the features of their base and intervening claims. Claim 33 depends from claim 32. Amended claim 30 covers the subject matter of multiple dependent allowable claim 30/28, while new claim 41 is identical to and covers the subject matter of multiple dependent allowable claim 30/29. These claims are deemed to be in allowable condition.

Claims 28 and 29 are canceled.

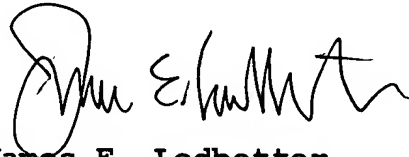
A new Fig. 6 is submitted herewith to overcome the objection to the drawings. The specification has been amended to be consistent with the addition of Fig. 6. This new drawing and the description thereof added to the specification is supported at least by original claim 11. No new matter is believed to be

introduced by the new drawing and the amendment of the specification.

In view of the above, it is submitted that this application is in condition for allowance, and a notice to that effect is respectfully solicited.

If any issues remain which may best be resolved through a telephone communication, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned at the local Washington, D.C. telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'James E. Ledbetter', with a stylized, cursive script.

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